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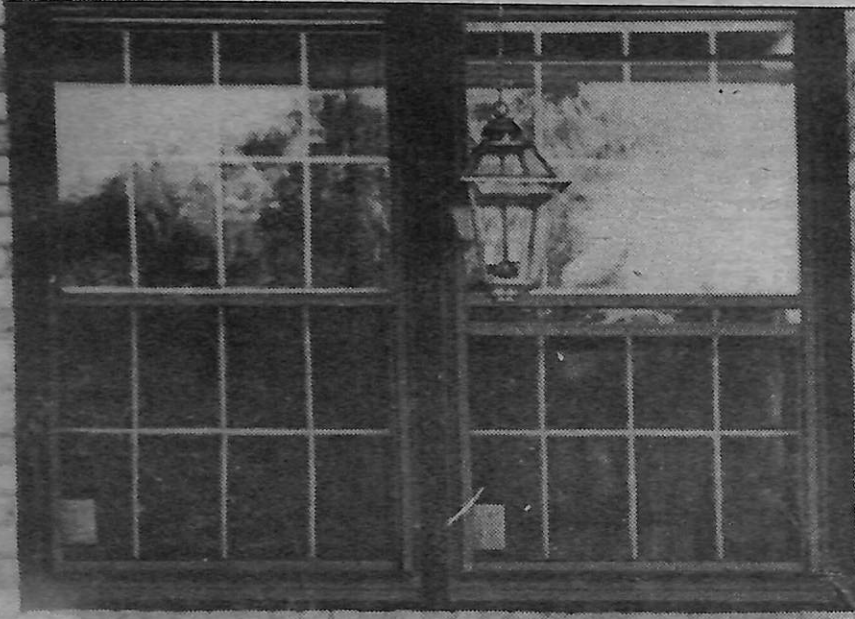
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IN RECENT WEEKS, many of our customers and readers have had trouble locating our offices, now in the Crossroad Shoppes. Just last week signmaker Tom Ennis proudly hoisted just below our second floor offices our new sign...hopefully, there will be no further difficulty finding our new offices. We thank all of our readers, friends and advertisers for their patience and support during our big move and we look forward to working with you in the future from our new quarters in the Crossroad Shoppes. Photo by Jack Devine.

WestBank Honored For Captain No-Burn



PARK WESTBANK, in conjunction with the Agawam Fire Department, presents each year the Captain No-Burn program on fire prevention safety to youngsters in the town's elementary schools. Captain No-Burn is a nationally recognized program, which Westbank has graciously sponsored for years. Receiving their commendations (a picture of Captain No-Burn) from Deputy Chief Rusty Jenks (left) is WestBank President Theodore Kosior and Agawam Branch Manager Ellen Bellows. Granger Elementary School Principal James Loomis (right) was present at the ceremony representing elementary school principals. Photo by Jack Devine.

July 4th Rich In Patriotic Tradition

By Jeanne Hoffman

July 4th, anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, is celebrated throughout the United States. Along with the traditional parades, speeches and fireworks, some communities mark the day with unusual events.

Race car enthusiasts flock to Colorado to watch the annual auto race up Pike's Peak. In Hannibal Missouri, Mark Twain's home town, youngsters compete in the National Fence Painting Contest, part of the town's "Tom Sawyer" days. Citizens of Ontario, California view the parades and festivities from a two mile long picnic table set up along the main street of town.

But what about the original July 4th? Did people parade and cheer? Did bells ring and fireworks pop when the Declaration was first signed? No, indeed. This is how it was.

At 9 p.m. on July 4, 1776, the doors and windows of the Philadelphia State House were locked, as John Hancock said...."to keep the horseflies out and the disagreements within."

It had been a long, hot summer for the delegates to the Second Continental Congress as they argued and agonized over the issues before them. Many of them had family and dear friends in England.

They knew this document would alienate both sides, perhaps forever, and not everyone agreed that it was time to sever their ties with the Crown so drastically.

A month before, a committee of five, including John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, and Thomas Jefferson, had been appointed to draft the formal Declaration of Independence.

Jefferson wrote it, but it was the fiery Adams who defended it on the congressional floor. On July 3, it was read, section by section to the delegates. After each clause, a chorus of challenges erupted.

Words and phrases were deleted, picked apart, and argued over as the reading progressed. Most of the assembly had literary pretensions, and were eager to have a hand in amending and re-phrasing Jefferson's words. They even adjusted the grammar and punctuation of every line.

Jefferson would not say a word to defend his document then, but ever after, he referred to the changes Congress made as "mutilations." The final version of the work, approved late on the night of July 3, was actually a series of compromises between Jefferson's lofty prose and the more down-to-earth ideas of his compatriots.

They met on the morning of July 4th, exhausted, but in agreement at last, anxious to sign the document and be done with it. After the signing, there were no cheers or speeches, no sense of exhilaration. The mood was simply one of relief that they could all go home and rest. It would be left to future generations to appreciate the nobility of purpose and expression that evolved among the pesky flies and stifling heat of Independence Hall.

Thirteen years later, someone asked Benjamin Franklin about the writing of those original government documents. He replied:

"Our Constitution is in actual operation. Everything appears to promise that it will last; but in this world nothing is certain but death and taxes."

This year, as we celebrate the holiday more austere than usual, his words seem especially prophetic. Yet, in spite of those taxes, we are still enjoying all the freedoms that accompany them. We do indeed have much to celebrate this July 4, 1981.

Police, Recreation May Be Saved By Bowen Budget Additions

Viewed As Surprise

Town Manager Richard J. Bowen has revitalized some \$60,000 into the Parks Department and has restored \$30,000 into the Police Department's budget to cover three patrolmen who would otherwise be laid off effective immediately.

Tentative Approval

Bowen's move to supplement his \$21 million budget came as part of a \$235,000 package that was tentatively approved by Town Council Monday at a special workshop session.

Also slated for discussion Monday are 9 percent across-the-board pay increases to municipal department heads and supervisors.

Last month councilors scrapped a consultant's pay plan for department heads and supervisors and also refused to pass \$1,500 across-the-board increases proposed by Councilor Donald Rheault.

Council President Paul M. Fieldstad brought the issue back to the council floor last Friday at a special session and it was tentatively agreed that a 9 percent increase would be fair to the administrators.

Bowen cited the possibility of the town receiving some \$500,000 in additional state aid as the hallmark of his supplemental budget. Bowen said the aid would cover his budget requests, although he cautioned that the council should first evaluate the town's resources before acting.

The council will meet in special session on Monday, July 6 to vote on Bowen's amendments, which also include the rehiring of 2 firefighters slated for pink slips at a cost of \$29,100; \$90,000 for repair of the Phelps School roof which was recently defeated by the council, and an addition to the tax collection contract of \$22,000 to allow residents to use plastic bags and ash cans for most of the year.

It was viewed as somewhat of a surprise that Bowen asked Town Council to fund the three police positions.

Bowen has been locked in a bitter dispute with the Police Patrolmen's Union over the issue which began last month with a 24-hour sickout of 17 officers for the layoff of three additional patrolmen beyond three positions not being funded in Bowen's 1981-82 municipal budget.

The sickout began several weeks of verbal exchanges and behind-the-scenes feuding between Bowen and the Patrolmen's Union.

The town has filed a \$10,000 suit against the union for the sickout which Bowen has termed an illegal strike. The union has several grievances filed against the town, citing Bowen for unfair labor practices.

Union President Edward Borgatti today said the union was "more than pleased" with Bowen's latest action and added, "Hopefully, after the council passes funds for the positions Monday night, we can enjoy our summer."

Bowen's funding of \$60,000 of the Parks Department was also viewed as a surprise.

Originally, when Bowen nixed the \$200,000 department, it was requested by representatives of the Agawam Hockey Association and the Agawam Athletic Association for \$25,000 to continue the many programs provided by each organization which were being supplemented by town funds.

Bowen's latest action would restore the summer playground programs and some year-round recreation programs. Salary for the P&R Director was not included in Bowen's figure.

ANNOUNCEMENT

In order that taxpayers may be better served, the Town Hall will be instituting new hours. Effective Monday, July 6, 1981, the Town Hall will be open from 8

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Homeowner Inconvenience Theroux Continues Fight On Trash Collection

Town Councilor Richard Theroux has not given up his struggle to provide a rubbish collection service that does not require the use of plastic bags.

Theroux said today that he will continue to support a proposal to provide a bi-weekly rubbish service similar to what has existed - allowing residents to place rubbish in barrels and making use of plastic bags optional, except where garbage is concerned.

Town Council Monday approved a proposal that says trash pickups will occur every two weeks, but during the four summer months, all residents are required to place refuse in plastic bags for sanitary purposes.

"I feel we should be able to continue with a bi-weekly pickup with ash cans and if there is garbage, the garbage must then be placed in a plastic bag," Theroux said.

"I think the logic is simple, but on three separate occasions, I have been unable to convince the town administration or my colleagues that this is the best route to go."

During budget deliberations, the council voted down proposals to initiate a rubbish collection fee that would have cost residents approximately \$25 per year.

At their June 8 meeting, the council decided against a track pickup twice a month requiring use of plastic bags. At the June 22 meeting, councilors voted against a proposal to have a weekly trash collection, and at Monday's meeting, the compromise that was struck results in trash collection twice a month, with four summer months requiring the use of plastic bags.

"I fail to see how my colleagues or the administration can believe that this system is best for the homeowner," he said. "If I had the support within the council," he continued, "I would ask for trash collections using ash cans. Homeowners would have to use the plastic bags only for garbage - not making it mandatory for all refuse."

Theroux said he believes the bags are expensive, and are not necessary for most of the refuse people are throwing out.

The manager has allotted \$200,000 in the budget for trash collection contracts, and all proposals thus far have fallen under that limit.

Postal Applications Available

Springfield Postmaster J. M. Steele announced today that applications will be accepted and an examination given to establish a register of eligibles from which future clerk and/or carrier vacancies in the following offices may be filled: Agawam, Feeding Hills, Bulk Mail Ctr., Chicopee, East Longmeadow, Springfield, Westfield, and West Springfield.

Applications for the test will be available in Room 143, Main Post Office, 1883 Main Street, Springfield or at any of the above post offices during the week of July 6, 1981. Due to regulations, applications are not to be given out before these dates.

The starting salary, excluding fringe benefits, is \$7.64 per hour. Additional information is posted in the above offices. The U.S. Postal Service is an equal opportunity employer. No applications will be accepted after 5 p.m. Friday, July 10th.

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Test Results Show Students' Improvement

By Joanne Brown

Achievement test results for Agawam elementary students this year have increased significantly, according to a report made by Superintendent of Schools Louis Hebert to the School Committee last week. Test scores in reading, language, and math for grades 2, 4, and 6 are up markedly over last year.

"Teachers and building principals deserve every plaudit for doing an excellent job in this most difficult year," said Hebert.

He went on to attribute the increase in sixth grade reading scores to the addition of a reading specialist hired last year to meet the students' needs at that level.

"It's important to note that gains have been made in all three grades tested at all levels, not just at the top or bottom," Hebert pointed out. He indicated that the curve of improvement, especially at the top level, is turning upwards particularly in reading.

Each of the elementary schools along with the sixth grade at the Middle School showed considerable individual improvement. In many cases, the bottom line pointed out by Hebert on the charts this year is at the percentile point where the middle line was last year.

A slight disagreement between Hebert and Committee Chairman Walter Balboni arose at the meeting over the interpretation of that fact. Balboni stressed his belief that Agawam teachers have done an excellent job in spite of recent discussion about the town's placing 348th out of 351 cities in the state for per pupil expenditure.

"It just goes to show what can be done without spending a lot of money," Balboni declared.

Hebert disagreed, emphasizing his belief that the improvement in achievement "shows what can be done by adding teachers to keep elementary class sizes lower to meet the needs of the students."

MINIMUM BASIC SKILLS DATA

In results of testing to meet state-mandated requirements for minimum competency in basic skills, Agawam students showed very well. Individual communities have been allowed to establish their own standards.

Hebert reminded the board, "As you all know, Agawam did not purposely set low standards so our students could come out looking good. Our standards have been set well above the national average."

In reading for grade 2, 93% passed minimum competency requirements; in grade 4, 93% passed; and in grade 8, 80% passed.

In math for grade 2, 100% passed; in grade 4, 85% passed; and in grade 8, 74% passed.

In writing an essay in grade 2, 91% passed; in grade 4, 91% passed; and in grade 8, 89% passed.

Hebert told board members that an itemized analysis would be conducted to determine in which areas students missed questions so that remedial work could be forthcoming.

"I am very pleased with these results," Hebert stated. "This is the kind of gain not usually expected in just one year."

Lung Association Urges Independence From Unhealthy Cigarette Smoking

While the nation prepares to celebrate its independence on July 4th, millions of citizens are struggling to preserve their independence from a habit harmful to their health, safety and bank accounts. The American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts offers help to these former smokers who need assistance in maintaining their freedom from cigarettes.

According to federal statisticians, about 27% of the more than 54 million smokers try to give up smoking

during any given year. More than 50 million have succeeded through almost as many different methods as there are individual smoking habits.

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Town Receives Highway Safety Grant For Traffic

Town Manager Richard J. Bowen announced today that the town was recently notified of a \$3,200 grant for the acquisition of two traffic counters.

Cost Of Equipment

The funds were awarded to Agawam under the Governor's Highway Safety Program. It is estimated that the grant would cover approximately 80 percent of the cost of the new equipment, according to Bowen.

Bowen plans to submit the DPW's request for the traffic equipment to Town Council at a special meeting Monday.

The council would have to transfer the entire amount needed to buy the counters and would then receive state reimbursement for its expenses up to \$3,200.

"In the past few years Agawam has been very fortunate to obtain a line painter and a police motorcycle under this program, but due to lack of federal funding this may be our last opportunity to take advantage of the Governor's allocation of Federal Highway Safety Funds," Bowen said.

The grant application was prepared by Town Engineer Michael Suprenant and was submitted to the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau in January by Bowen and DPW Superintendent John P. Stone.

Agawam has been in need of a systematic program to evaluate the condition of its streets with regard to future safety improvements, traffic operation, speed regulation enforcement and roadway maintenance, Bowen said.

The DPW recently began an evaluation system to rate all local streets on the basis of pavement conditions, but Bowen noted that in order for this system to be used more effectively in the capital improvement program, additional traffic data will be needed.

Results of speed surveys conducted with the town's Traffic Safety Officer have been used in the development of radar enforcement equipment, and have demonstrated the need for continuing such surveys, he added.

Traffic Impact Of 57

Bowen said the proposed construction of the Route 57 Extension through western Agawam has intensified the need for further study of local streets.

"Agawam is one of the fastest growing communities in the Commonwealth, and therefore serious traffic problems could develop if a sound improvement program together with the efficient use of enforcement manpower is not accomplished," said Bowen.

Data needed for the street evaluation program includes traffic volume, class and speed determination in addition to the width, type, and condition of pavement. Accident records, being compiled by the Police Department.

He said, "The proposed traffic counters would be used to collect the additional data needed to complete the evaluation program, and to conduct speed surveys in conjunction with the Police Department."

The comprehensive street evaluation program will provide, Bowen pointed out, "important information for evaluation of the town's capital improvement program and Master Plan for roads and streets."

"In this regard it will provide a basis for scheduling roadway improvements in harmony with the proposed or anticipated development of the community, and may over a period of time be used to indicate trends in changing traffic conditions," he said.

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On Local Politics

By Stephen Gazillo

Some Holiday Thoughts On Our Town Charter

As we enter the Fourth of July weekend - that time of year when we think of our founding fathers and try to relive the spirit that helped create this country - a host of questions concerning local government come to mind.

What should we expect from local government? What is a responsible government? What is our government at the community level supposed to do constitutionally?

Here in Agawam, hard fast answers are not easy to come by. First hand observations can be disturbing.

It would seem many of those involved in local politics are more concerned about the form of government that with the functioning of government, and this is a sad situation.

Over the years since the council/manager form of government was adopted here, it has been almost characteristic of the council to place the manager on the hot seat - blaming him if he was wrong and taking credit for his being right.

This may seem like a harsh indictment of our councilors. At this time, all that can be said is "if the shoe fits, wear it." Sometimes it is only through painful self-examination that situations are corrected.

My point here is simple: any form of government can function providing the people working within it make it function.

For those of us who are taxpayers, residents, voters and above all, citizens of Agawam, now is the time for improving the quality of life here and to make government work for us and our children.

In what direction is our government going? Is it functioning the way we really want it to function. These are the relevant questions.

We need a working council, one that does not focus on the town manager - his personality or his mistakes but on what the people of this town want.

The time has come to stop using the manager as a scapegoat, and to look at the real facts. Are the councilors doing the job we elected them to do? If so, then we should not return them to office.

If not, we should vote them out of office. It seems so simple, and yet too often we forget this when election time rolls around.

As we ponder this, it might be wise to remember: "So go the cities and towns, so go the counties; so go the counties, so go the states; so go the states, so goes the nation."

Should we expect anything less from those running our local government than we do from those elected at the national level?

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Mrs. Kathryn Garfield

Montagna-Garfield Marriage Occurs

June 28, 1981, was the date for the marriage of Kathryn Ann Montagna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elery Montagna of Agawam, to Greg Brian Garfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Garfield, also of Agawam. The Rev. Paul Burns officiated at the ceremony in Sacred Heart Church. It was followed by a reception in the Grand Ballroom of the Marriott Hotel.

Mrs. Debora Auclair acted as matron of honor, and Michael Vinesett stood as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School, Holyoke Community College, and American International College. She is a special education teacher in Windsor Locks, Connecticut.

The groom is a graduate of Agawam High and completed a carpenter's apprenticeship. He is employed as a journeyman carpenter in Springfield.

The couple will reside in Westfield.



Mrs. Leeann McKeever

Leeann Hart Weds Stephen McKeever

Leeann Christine Hart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lenville R. Hart of 50 Edward Street, Agawam, became the bride of Stephen John McKeever, son of Mrs. Mary Roberts of Chicopee and the late Henry McKeever, on Saturday, June 27, 1981.

The ceremony took place at St. John the Evangelist Church with the cousin of the groom, Bishop Thomas W. Lyons of Washington, D.C., officiating. A reception followed at Chez Josef, Agawam.

Mrs. Susan Hart, sister-in-law of the bride, acted as matron of honor, and serving as bridesmaids were Annmarie Longo, Nancy Knowlton, and Mrs. Sharon Gendron.

Christopher McKeever served his brother as best man, and Allan Hart, Paul Fregeau, and James Foley stood as ushers.

The bride wore a formal gown of white chiffon with matching veil designed by Alfred Angelo. She carried a silk cascade bouquet of white roses, stephanotis, blue baby's breath, and ivy.

Her attendants wore matte jersey dresses in ice blue, and all carried silk colonial bouquets.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School and of Westfield State College, where she is currently a graduate student. She has been a teacher in the Agawam School System.

The groom is a graduate of Cathedral High School, attended the University of Massachusetts, and was an exchange student through the Central University of Iowa to London, England. He is employed by Sullivan Paper Company, West Springfield.

Following a honeymoon trip to Bermuda, the couple will reside in Chicopee.



Mrs. Nancy Dacey

Nancy Sardella Weds Dacey

On June 6, 1981, St. Michael's Cathedral was the setting for the marriage of Nancy Jeanne Sardella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sardella of 68 Hastings Street, Feeding Hills, to Robert Dennis "Ted" Dacey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Dacey II of Waltham, Massachusetts.

Father Dennis Burns of the Brighton Chancellory performed the ceremony with George Hart as organist and Mrs. Julieanna Dominick as soloist.

Attendants for the bride were Kathleen Marsh, maid of honor, and Doreen Sardella, Susan Sardella, Joyce LaRouche, and Lisa Marceau. Flower girls were Ann Dacey and Kate Dacey.

Attendants for the groom were Richard F. Dacey III, best man, and Richard Sardella, Peter Sardella, Michael Sardella, and Peter Cranston. Ringbearer was Adam Pudeo.

A reception at Hampden Country Club immediately followed the ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School and attended American International College. She is formerly a regional sales representative for Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation and is now employed by Burlington Office Supplies Inc. as a sales representative in the Office Products Division. She plans to continue her studies at St. Michael's College, Winooski, Vermont.

The groom is a graduate of St. John's Preparatory School, Danvers, and Dayton (Ohio) University. He is employed as Burlington, Vermont, branch manager of Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation.

Following a honeymoon trip to Disney World, Marco Island, and Acapulco, Mexico, the couple will establish residence in Essex Junction, Vermont.

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"On The Clothesline"



By Penny Stone

A letter from the President is a big event in any child's life, and several Danahy School students recently participated in a class project which earned them a personal souvenir from the Chief Executive. Among these lucky students was TAMMY NARDI, 9-year-old daughter of SUSAN NARDI of 102 Anthony Street, whose correspondence from President Reagan thanked her for her interest in making America a better place in which to live. Tammy and her fourth grade classmates under Miss Schriber had written the President offering their suggestions on how life could be improved. Tammy wrote about her concern over proposed cuts in the Social Services budget.

Along with the keepsake letter on official White House stationery, the children received a beautiful color photograph of the President and First Lady.

Recently feted at an awards luncheon in Boston was the talented ANDREW LAWSON, son of ARTHUR & CAROL LAWSON of 51 Pineview Circle. Andy captured fourth place in the Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries Cartoon and Illustration Contest.

Surrounded by family and friends who accompanied him to Boston, Andy accepted a \$25 gift certificate for art supplies from Milton Caniff, Dean of Cartoonists and originator of such comic strips as Steve Canyon and Terry and the Pirates. Following presentation of the awards, the 74-year-old artist gave a fascinating demonstration on how he created his famous cartoon characters. Having started drawing seriously when he was only 13 years old, Caniff was a tremendous inspiration to the young audience.

Andy's family is grateful to his two high school art teachers, KATHY ENNIS and LAUREL MALERBA, who have encouraged and prodded him along when he needed it. A senior this year, Andy hopes to pursue his talents in art after high school. We wish him all the best.

A temporary farewell to the CHARLES & DALE MILLER family! They are soon to depart for Heidelberg, Germany, where Charlie has been transferred for the next three years. Charlie is a civil engineer with the Army Corps of Engineers and moves from town to town occasionally, but this is his first BIG MOVE.

Before coming to Agawam, Charlie worked in Acton, Mass., but both he and wife Dale are from Connecticut. Dale works as a registered nurse and hopes to find similar employment in the Heidelberg area. Over the past eight years in Agawam, she has been active with the Phelps PTO, the SPAN Board of Directors, and with many other parent and civic groups.

"It should be quite a learning experience!" exclaims Dale of their trip. Their two children - 10-year-old KARL and 8-year-old CORINNE - will be attending a German school and are quite excited. But they haven't had time for even a crash course on how to speak the language. Knowing them, they'll figure out what to do.

Good luck, folks! Hope to see you back in three years. Auf wiedersehen!

Best wishes for a healthy and happy retirement are extended to JAMES QUINN of 47 Harvey Johnson Drive, who is retiring after 40 years with Uniroyal in Chicopee. He was literally the last worker to leave the plant, which closed its doors on Tuesday, June 30th.

His retirement plans include traveling, eventually moving to Florida, and spending more time with his family. Among other achievements, James has successfully put his four children, JAMES, WILLIAM, CATHY, & JO ANN, through college. Now they, along with all the rest of us, wish him a very happy retirement.

Congratulations to MR. & MRS. SALVATORE MARMO, parents of JAMES MARMO of 14 Bradford Drive. The Marmos, who reside in southern New York State, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 21st with family and friends at a nearby restaurant. They often come to Agawam to spend time with their son Jim, who has lived here for the past 14 years.

May you enjoy many more happy years together, folks.

If you have any item of social significance about local family or friends, give Penny a call at 786-9144 or drop her a note at 72 Federal Street, Agawam.

**Have A Happy And Safe
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Mrs. Kathleen Prucnal

Kathleen Pfau Weds Duane Prucnal

The marriage of Kathleen Ann Pfau to Duane David Prucnal took place Saturday, June 13, 1981, at St. John the Evangelist Church, Agawam, with a reception following at Wyckoff Country Club, Holyoke.

Mrs. Paul Turmel attended her sister as matron of honor, and David Banas served as best man. Bridesmaids were Karen Pfau, Kathy Prucnal, Nancy Prucnal, and Cindy Pullen. Assuming duties as ushers were Kevin Pfau, Billy Pfau, Ted Smiarowski, and Mark Pfau.

The bride's gown, made by her mother, had a Queen Anne neckline, a bodice of Alecon lace with seed pearls, and a chapel-length silk organza skirt with Alecon lace appliques. She wore an elbow-length veil which had a cap covered with Alecon lace.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Pfau of 71 Western Drive, Agawam. She is a graduate of Cathedral High School, Bay Path Junior College, and North Adams State College. She is employed by King's Department Store as a department manager.

The groom is the son of Chester S. Prucnal of Hatfield and Mrs. Evelyn Prucnal of Springhill, Florida. He is a graduate of Smith Academy and North Adams State College. He is employed by Greenfield Tap and Die as a computer operator.



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Pisano

Charkow-Pisano Nuptials

The marriage of Barbara S. Charkow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Liebeknecht of Ranch Hope, Alloway, New Jersey, to Thomas J. Pisano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony (Ginger) Pisano of 595 Mill Street, Feeding Hills, was an event on May 30th at the Agawam United Methodist Church.

Judy Samuel attended the bride as maid of honor, and Ray Hale served as best man.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

July 3
Nocturnal Adoration
Retreat
9 p.m. - 6 a.m.

July 5th
Nardi Road Race
Nardi Memorial Com.
10 a.m.
Junior High School

July 7th
Picnic
Community Grange
6:30 p.m.

July 9th
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Mr. and Mrs. Selden Besaw.

Besaw's Celebrate 50th Anniversary

A 50th wedding anniversary celebration was held in honor of Ida and Selden Besaw of 44 Edward Street, Agawam, Saturday, June 20th at the Rodeway Inn in Chicopee.

Some 290 relatives and friends attended the affair with some coming from as far as California, Florida, Virginia and Vermont.

Selden is semi-retired. He currently works part-time for Bay Bank Valley.

Ida is retired and is now a homemaker.

The Besaw's have a son, Donald of Agawam and two grandchildren, Susan, 17 and Brenda, 11. Donald's wife, Alice, was instrumental in making the affair a success, said Ida.

The happy couple said several of the people who attended their big night "we hadn't seen in many, many years. It was just a memorable evening. We'll never forget it."

Good luck to the Besaw's.

Class of 1956 Holds Reunion At Betty's



HOLDING THEIR 25TH HIGH SCHOOL REUNION was the Agawam High School Class of 1956 at Old Betty's Town House on Walnut Street. Former Class President Tom O'Keefe left, (now Clark School principal) takes time out for a Jack Devine photo with Joanne Meissner Beltrandi, Joan O'Connor Martel and Richard Orr, all of the reunion committee.

PHEASANT HILL NEWS

The Pheasant Hill Village Tuesday Afternoon Women's Club enjoyed their annual June luncheon at Valle's Steak House on June 16th. There were 32 members and guests in attendance who later joined together in the Skylark Room for an afternoon of cards.

Rose Baevich, president of the club, was chairlady of the event.

The Father's Day Brunch held on June 21 was a great success. Sixty residents and friends attended. Thanks is extended to all who participated, especially the committee Jennie Juzba, Rose Baevich, Phil Mercadante, and President Ursula O'Neil.

An exciting day trip on June 23 to Gloucester, Rockport, and Salem was enjoyed by 44 friends and residents of Pheasant Hill Village. Special thanks go out to Frank Paradiso, the trip host.

Storowton Plans July 4th Party

Storowton Village, West Springfield, will present its sixth America's Birthday Party celebration on Saturday, July 4th. Co-sponsored by the Village and Storowton Crafters, the event will feature an Early American Crafts Fair in addition to music, food, tours of antique buildings, and an old-fashioned muster. Admission and parking are free.

Festivities will begin with square dancing at 10:30 a.m. and continue throughout the day to include much music and other entertainment. The fair will feature the handiwork of over 50 area artists who will also demonstrate their skills.

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For Senior Citizens... New Beginnings

By Rita White

There are many people in life who sit back and expect the good things to come to them. They watch other people enjoying themselves and complain because they aren't a part of what is going on. There is a saying that if you want something, go out and get it. In Agawam, the senior citizens are very fortunate as this is one community that does a lot for its senior citizens.

Unfortunately, many of Agawam's seniors do not take advantage of all that is offered them. Many of the seniors in town are of the opinion that in order to take advantage of the Senior Center or the many trips and events they sponsor, they must either live in one of the elderly housing projects or be a "member" of the Center. Neither of these is true.

Any senior citizen who is a resident of Agawam is entitled to take advantage of these benefits. All the trips offered are open to any senior out there. All that is required is a call to the center to make a reservation. The same holds true for the lunches or for the various courses offered at the Center.

There is a reading room at the Center, a Men's Pool Club which plays pool there, cards available whenever a group gets together, and assorted crafts. It is hoped that this summer two new groups will start. One is a chorus, and the other, a drama group. Any senior interested in these things should go down and take a look. If you have never been to the Center, I think you'll be pleasantly surprised. Don't let this terrific benefit go to waste. Fill your life with new beginnings and make the Center the first one.

The Golden Agers had a great time at their last meeting. Vera Conway treated them to a game of "Name That Tune" on the piano. Everyone filled out ballots, and the two winners of a bottle of champagne were Edna Chartier and Tish Pisano. Many thanks to Vera.

Congratulations going out to Rachel Folkes. Rachel has only been bowling for one year and already has won a special award and will be in the State Senior Rolloffs. We all wish her much good luck.

Happy birthdays go out to 11 seniors. Wish we had your names. Keep us informed, and we'll get them in the column. Special birthday greetings to Angie Bachelder.

The Center will be offering some special summer lessons for anyone interested. The things offered will be decoupage, batik, candle making, macrame, soft sculpture, stichery, and weaving. Call the center right away if you're interested. Friday is the day they have to have enough names to get the teacher, who we hear is terrific.

Kerr, Gianetti Receive Postal Awards



Postmaster Joseph P. Dahdah (right) recently honored two of his employees with longevity awards. He presented Mr. Arthur W. Kerr (left) a rural carrier, and Mr. Stephen J. Gianetti, a city delivery carrier, with silver 25 year Service Award Pins. Mr. Kerr is working towards completion of his thirty-third year while Mr. Gianetti is working towards his twenty-sixth year. Photo by Jack Devine.

Grange Will Meet

Community Grange will meet Tuesday, July 7th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Grange Home on North West Street for the annual picnic on the lawn.

Mrs. Elise Bradway is in charge of food and would like to hear from all who plan to attend. Picnic meats and rolls will be furnished by the lecturer, and fireplaces will be available. Contact Mrs. Bradway at 786-1409.

Lioness Club Inducts 1981-82 Officers

The Agawam-Feeding Hills Lioness Club held their annual banquet last Thursday at the Squire's in Agawam. Following dinner, the annual induction of officers took place.

New officers for next year are Lucille Camyre, president; Grace Phillips, vice-president; Elaine Roberts, secretary; Pat Batchelder, treasurer; Joy Poggi, past president; Judi Lysik, lioness tamer; Jean Long, hair puller; and Alice Collins, Anne Cascio, and Doris McCombe, directors.

Announcement was made of two recent awards the club has won from the 33Y Lioness District. It came in third place for Best Club under 20 Members and took third for its scrapbook.

A special message to those of you who have high blood pressure. Now, we don't mean those of you who see your doctor monthly or don't have the problem to begin with. But those of you who are unable to get to the doctor regularly. There will be the blood pressure clinic on July 7th and July 21st.

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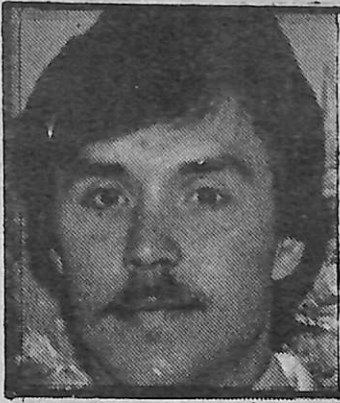
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Your Back & Your Health

By Dr. Joseph Schlaffer

The normal body is healthy. When you feed it nutritious food and fresh water and let it breathe clean air, your healthy body works well. Your glands secrete the correct amount of each substance. Your limbs move freely and your muscles are strong. Everything runs smoothly.

Every body function, every organ and even every brain cell is controlled by the brain. The brain stores information and sends messages to all parts of your body. The messages travel through the spinal nerve cord which is protected by the strong movable pieces of the spine which are called vertebrae. The messages tell your cells, tissues, and organs how to work to stay healthy.

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Chiropractors readily admit the value of some drugs and surgery although they do not prescribe drugs or perform surgery. If your doctor of chiropractic judges that he cannot care for a particular health problem, he will recommend another health professional who can.

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Your Dental Health

By Stephen R. Jacaprarro, D.M.D.

In a galaxy far, far away, a battle has raged for eons over whether it is better to use a hard or soft toothbrush. For years, the forces that championed the right for everyone to have a hard toothbrush seemed to be winning the conflict. But that was before we realized how important it is to brush the margins of the gums as well as the teeth.

Hard toothbrushes are now considered all right if you're trying to get that ugly yellow wax buildup off your floor not off your teeth. It is still sometimes advocated for the removal of rust. Because both of these conditions are rare in the human mouth, only rarely should a hard toothbrush be placed in the human mouth.

Considering that we want to clean around the margins of the gums as well as the teeth and that use of a hard toothbrush would make the gums scream, what is our option? A soft brush can clean just as well, does not erode or abrade the enamel surfaces of the teeth, and helps stimulate the circulation in the gums. Use a soft, multi-tufted brush with at least three or four rows of bristles.

Some patients voice concern that the soft brush will not clean the teeth properly. It is important to remember that the toothbrush is expected to remove plaque and the soft toothbrush does this very well. No toothbrush will remove calculus (tartar); this requires a professional scaling and prophylaxis.

There are many fine quality soft toothbrushes; ask your dentist which one he recommends.

Skin Deep

By Eileen Trempe

You've had a long, hard day, and the image reflected in the mirror reveals a tired, dull complexion because that's the way you feel. Despite your careful application of makeup, your complexion still seems tired. What can you do?

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Know Your Drugs...



By Gary Kerr

The thrill of a golden tan may be exciting, but the agony of a lobster-red sunburn is the price many persons pay summer after summer despite the availability of chemical sunscreen agents, non-porous clothing, and pharmaceutical/medical advice.

The delayed onset of the redness of sunburn up to two to eight hours following exposure may not alert the person of developing sunburn. Sunburn is later characterized by extensive skin redness, itching, pain, and, in more severe cases, blistering. Fever, chills, and dizziness are other common symptoms of sunburn. Treatment of minor sunburn includes anesthetics, analgesics, cold water, and astringents.

Certain local anesthetics are effective pain relievers when applied to the skin in appropriate concentrations. These agents decrease pain and/or itching by affecting the transmission of nerve impulses around the area.

The most popular sunburn anesthetic is benzocaine, and, in concentrations of 5% or greater, it has proven to be quite effective. Products such as Solarcain and Americaine contain benzocaine and are available as sprays, lotions, and creams.

None of the local anesthetics are to be used on large areas of broken skin since the active drug may produce systemic toxicity. Pregnancy and hypersensitivity to other anesthetics are two instances where these products should not be used.

Pain relief can also be obtained from aspirin. This is recommended over acetaminophen (Tylenol) since aspirin has anti-inflammatory actions which Tylenol does not. Both agents are effective in relieving pain and reducing fever.

Cold water or compresses are also recommended to soothe the affected sunburned areas. The cold will act to "numb" the area and affect pain receptors, decrease blood flow to the area which will minimize heat production, decrease swelling, and will block the spread of the burn. Cold water soaks can be done at time intervals as is necessary to provide relief.

Astringents such as Burrow's solution, which is marketed as Domeboro, will protect and soothe the damaged area and provide moisture to the skin. Domeboro is available at pharmacies as packets and tablets to be dissolved in water and applied to the skin as a compress or dressing. Soft cloth is best as a dressing and is recommended to be administered in four thirty-minute treatment periods per day. The solution is to be poured onto the dressing every few minutes during this period to keep the dressing moist.

Sunburn is not to be taken lightly and like any burn, should be treated by a physician if severe enough. Less severe burns can be treated with over-the-counter preparations available at your local pharmacy. Consult your pharmacist about sunburn and proper treatment methods.

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Feeding Hills Residents Graduate From HCC

A number of Feeding Hills residents were among the 792 members of the Holyoke Community College Class of 1981.

Matthew J. Beattie, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Beattie Jr., 89 Norris Street, received his degree in business administration. He was a member of the student senate.

Donna M. Bobeck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bobeck, 32 Giffin Place, was awarded a degree in hotel-motel and food services management. She plans to continue in that major either at the University of New Hampshire or the University of New Orleans.

Shelley M. Borgatti, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Borgatti, received her degree in the legal secretary curriculum.

Wendyann Brantley, 39 Robin Ridge, earned her degree in veterinary and animal science.

Having been accepted as a major in environmental design at the University of Massachusetts, Thomas S. Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hart, 55 Duclos Drive, received his degree in arts and sciences. He participated in indoor soccer while at HCC.

Graduating with honors in the retail management curriculum was Lisa D. Houlihan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Houlihan, 53 Ridgeview Dr. Miss Houlihan is assistant manager of Jeans Plus in Springfield. She plans to enroll in the Henry Simmons School of Floral Design in Wellesley this fall.

Cheryl M. Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lane Sr., Memorial Drive, graduated in the legal secretary curriculum.

Christine H. Lens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lens, 452 North West Street, received her degree in nursing.

With high honors, Theresa A. Pottio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Pottio 16 Witheridge Street, received her degree in arts and sciences. She received the Sigma Rho (honorary scholastic society) Award and has been accepted by Northeastern University in Boston as a major in outdoor recreation.

Named to the Dean's List and the Sigma Rho honorary scholastic society was Kathleen A. Raimondi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis T. Raimondi, 36 Maynard Street. Miss Raimondi was in the medical secretarial curriculum and graduated with high honors.

Dawn Carignan Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Carignan of 267 Falley Drive, Westfield, who resides with her husband, Peter T. Thomas, at 179 Forest Hill Road, received her degree in business administration with honors. She has been accepted for further study in business administration at the University of Mass.

Brian J. Thresher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Thresher, 211 Southwick Street, received the degree in business administration.

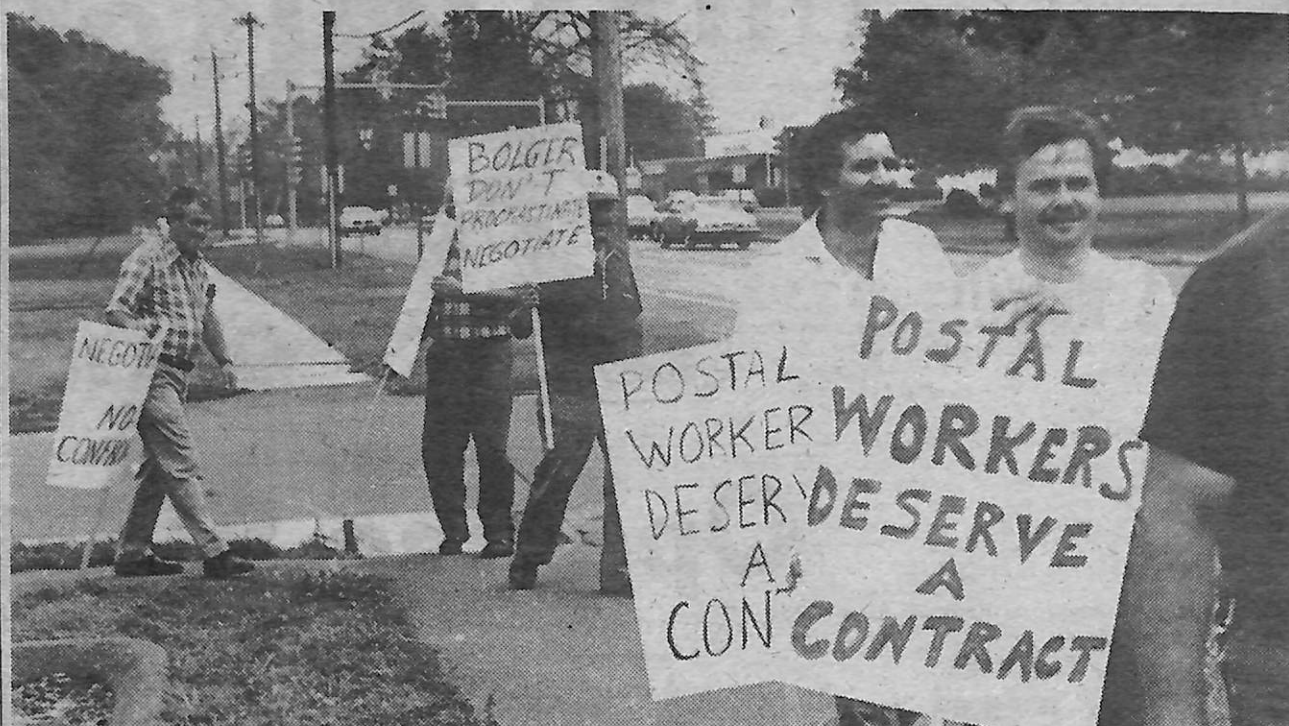
John R. Wagner Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Wagner of 105 Granger Drive, received his degree in computer technology and will study computer design at Fitchburg State College.

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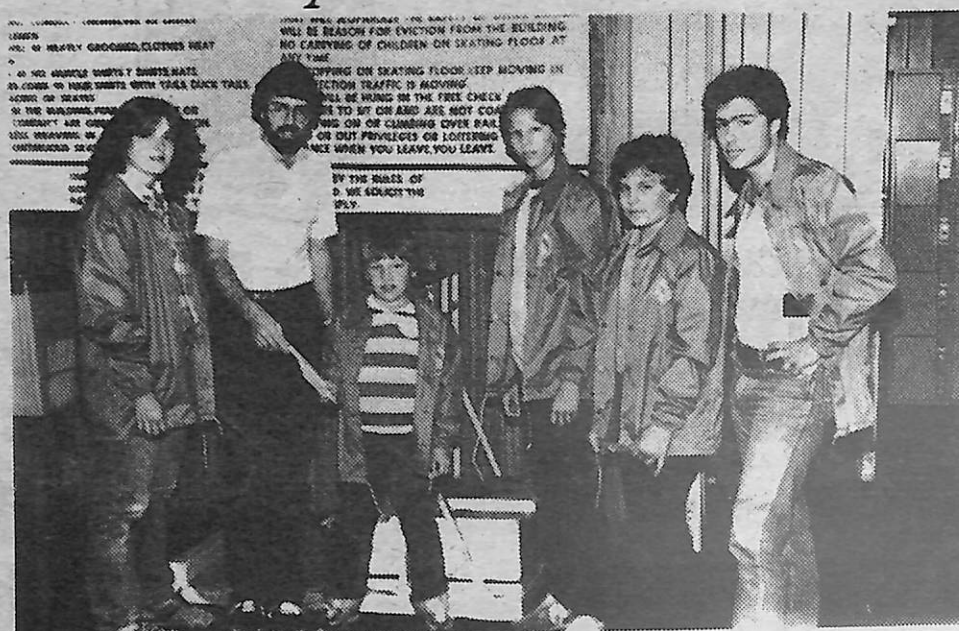
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Rollaway MDA Skate-a-thon



To the right, Muscular Dystrophy poster child, Agawam's own Chris DeSpirt, 11, was among those who helped raise over \$2,000 for research at recent Skate-a-Thons held at the Rollaway. First prize, a stereo, was awarded to Maria DeSpirt, left, who raised \$282. Scott Mercure, second from right, of Agawam won second prize roller skates; third prize of ten passes to the Rollaway went to Eugene Jette of West Springfield, right; and fourth prize of five passes went to Jeff Naylor of Agawam, third from right. Here Dave Maiolo, manager of the Rollaway, presents the check to young Chris. Photo by Jack Devine.

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In a practical and personal way, the audio-visual program "Living When a Loved One has Died" offers help to those who must deal with one of the most difficult problems most people ever face. Grief. We're pleased to be able to offer the use of this outstanding program, at no charge, through our audio-visual library.

This program can provide bereaved persons with the comfort of knowing that others have had many of the same feelings. It also suggests ways they may cope with the

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In addition, it has been widely used by health care professionals, the clergy and others actively involved in advising persons experiencing the pain of a loss.

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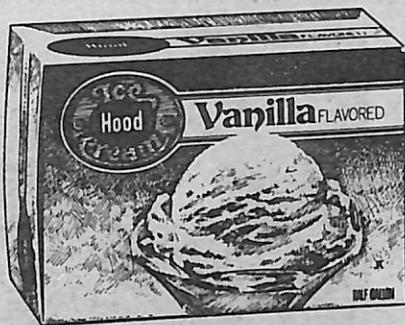
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EDITORIAL

Council Should Fill Vacancy

The abrupt departure from the community of Town Councilor-At-Large Elaine Bonavita for Texas has created somewhat of a stir of late over whether or not the council is required to appoint, by majority vote, a new councilor.

After reviewing the information and considering the present circumstances, it is our position that the council must immediately fill the vacated slot.

Ms. Bonavita's surprise announcement that she would resign her at-large post effective June 30 began a chain of events leading to the present dispute.

She soon after decided to withdraw the resignation. But Town Attorney Lambert Ollari ruled the councilwoman must abide by her written resignation and could not arbitrarily renege.

Then on Tuesday, June 23, 7 days before her resignation was to take effect, it was reported that Ms. Bonavita had packed her bags and left for Texas, moving out of her Walnut Street residence but leaving a Feeding Hills address to forward her mail.

Because, in our view, she failed to remain a resident here until June 30, the Town Charter allows the council to appoint a new member to sit through January 1, 1982, when a new council will take office.

If Ms. Bonavita had remained just seven more days, the Town Charter says the council could not appoint a new member.

It is well known that our position on Ms. Bonavita as a councilwoman in the past has been less than favorable and that her track record speaks for itself.

But the issue here is not Ms. Bonavita's politics but the fact that we maintain she was no longer a resident of the community as of June 23.

The town government at this time hangs on a thread, seemingly eroding with each passing day. If a referendum on a mayor is presented on the November ballot, it may very well pass.

The council will soon begin a search for a new town manager as present Town Manager Richard J. Bowen's resignation becomes effective September 1.

The community needs a full 15-member council during this search, the result of which may tip the scales of the town's future.

And who is to say that the town will not be faced with important decisions between now and January 1st? A vacant seat could cost the town dearly if the situation arises, and, after appraising local politics, that is a distinct possibility.

The current controversy surrounding Ms. Bonavita's status seems to be simple enough: she has left our community. Her immediate relatives support that fact and there is no other information to lead us to believe otherwise.

Therefore, in our view, the council should accept nominations and appoint an individual when the issue is brought before it at the Monday, July 6th meeting.

This individual, of course, should be of sound caliber and should also be willing to commit himself/herself to seek election to the council in the November municipal poll.



FROM THE THIRD

By Rep Edward W. Connelly

Impact Of The Better Budget

This is shaping up to be an incredible year in government - especially for Republicans. President Reagan's budget passed in the Democrat controlled Congress. The "Better Budget", primarily a Republican document, not only came within striking distance in the Massachusetts House, but also forced the House to revise its budget. And the budget passed by the Massachusetts Senate is remarkably similar to the "Better Budget."

Representing The People

Perhaps the most important and promising trend in representative government is that it is returning the basics of representing the people. In Massachusetts, after years of seeking tax breaks, the voters finally took over and passed Proposition 2 1/2. The strength and involvement of the public on this issue has caused the Legislature to deal with the realities. A recent survey reports that 52 percent of those polled want cuts in state and local taxes even if public employees have to face lay-offs.

People are realizing that the previous governmental attitude of "throw money at the problem and it will go away" is not viable. Across the Commonwealth people are working together to demand responsibility from their state and local government.

In Boston, businesses have contributed funds to keep the swimming pools open for the summer. In other communities, residents have banded together to demand preservation of public protection and to make their local government cut in other areas.

The "Better Budget" had an incredible impact. The Senate, under the direction of a liberal Democrat, came up with a budget recommendation that clearly recognizes the need to cut the cost of state government. In the House, liberal Democrats joined with the Republicans on the "Better Budget" because they, too, recognized that in order to preserve human service programs, cuts must be made in other accounts. They also recognized, and worked with us to gain sorely needed \$300 million in additional local aid.

King Doesn't Like It

Meanwhile, the Governor has said that he does not like either the House or the Senate budget and argues that we cannot give more money in local aid to cities and towns. If we don't get this money distributed, however, many cities and towns will face severe financial strain. The money is available. The "Better Budget" proved it. The Senate budget proved it.

Now the Governor has come up with his third set of budget recommendations. The first included only \$37 million in additional local aid and was widely criticized. The second raided human service programs while leaving administrative fat untouched.

The budget debates this year in the nation and in our state are remarkable for their innovations and for the lively discussion and public attention that have surrounded them. The taxpayers are responsible for this. Continued awareness and involvement will keep your winning streak going.

Supporting Bowen On Funds For Recreation Programs, 3 Cops

Town Manager Richard J. Bowen's decision to add some \$60,000 for the return of many needed recreation programs here to the Park and Rec budget and the return of enough funds for three patrolmen laid-off as of July 1 is seen by us as a positive step.

We remained silent on the elimination of the Parks Department when Bowen first unveiled his \$21 million budget package.

We believed at some point Mr. Bowen, through consultation with councilors and various athletic groups in town, would somehow locate funds to keep

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue in execution of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage given by D.A. DeMATOS REALTY CO., INC. TO NORTHAMPTON INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS dated January 11, 1979, and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 4716, Page 254 of which the mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 noon on July 13, 1981 at 825 Springfield Street, Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts. The premises being sold are bounded and described as follows:

PARCEL I

Certain real estate situated in Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, being known and designated as Lot No. 5 (five) as shown on a plan of lots of Charles W. and Myrtle Hegeman and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 24, Page 75; said lot being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY by Amherst Avenue, fifty (50) feet; SOUTHEASTERLY by Lot No. 7 (seven) as shown on said plan, one hundred and 55/100 (100.55) feet; SOUTHWESTERLY by Giffen Place, fifty and 60/100 (50.60) feet; and NORTHWESTERLY by Lots No. 1 (one) and No. 2 (two) as shown on said plan, one hundred three and 70/100 (103.70) feet.

Being the same premises conveyed to D.A. DeMatos Realty Co., Inc. by deed of Anthony A. DeMatos dated January 25, 1971, and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 3564, Page 66.

PARCEL II

Certain real estate situated in Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, being bounded and described as follows:

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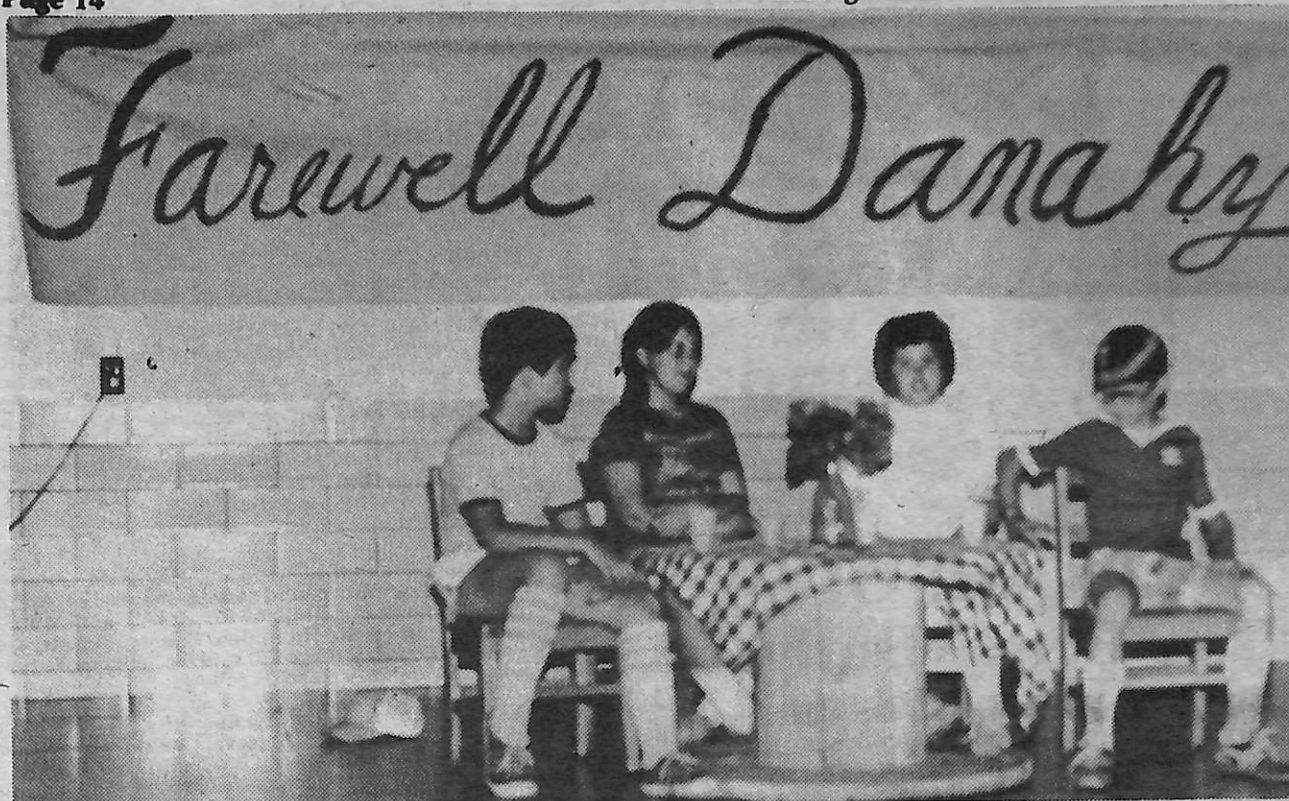
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Richard J. Bowen
Purchasing Agent
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The Advertiser/News Speaks Out Each Week



STUDENTS OF KATHERINE DANAHY held closing day ceremonies at the town's oldest and perhaps most well-known elementary school. The school will be long remembered as a beacon of North Agawam. Photo by Jack Devine.

Farewell Katherine Danahy: You've Been A Good Friend

By Penny Stone

Recently I paid my final respects to the Katherine G. Danahy School which officially closed its doors on June 30, 1981, due to declining enrollment and escalating maintenance costs. This small brick schoolhouse on Maple Street was responsible for giving my three daughters a great educational beginning, and I wanted to say farewell.

Since vacation has already begun, I passed no chattering children in the empty hallways, only tables stacked with audio-visual aides, books, and teaching materials destined for other Agawam schools. The sound of my own footsteps echoed in my ears as I entered my daughter's fifth grade classroom...I looked around.

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For many children—and adults—half of the fun of dolls is dressing, undressing and re-dressing them. With the new doll fashions currently being sold, that fun will be multiplied. High-fashion and classical, woman's wear of the '80s has found a parallel interpretation in doll-wear designed to enchant the very young lady.

From gala dress-wear to the most practical of work apparel, you can outfit some of today's dolls with imagination and flair. One popular doll, for instance, Kenner's Strawberry Shortcake, has had designed for her a varied wardrobe of Berry Wear Doll Fashions. The outfits range from a snappy hooded rainwear ensemble with matching boots, to a perky gardening outfit to a jogging suit, all with matching accessories.

Now, dressable dolls can delight many a "dolling" daughter, son... and parent.

NO TRACES OF THE CHILDREN

No colorful artwork decorated the windows. No gold star samples of penmanship lined the walls. No creative mobiles dangled from the ceiling. In fact, no traces of the lively 10-year-olds were left behind. Walking slowly from classroom to classroom, I became aware of an uncomfortable sadness and reminiscence catching up with me as I internalized the harsh reality that many students, teachers, and parents were losing not only a 75-year-old schoolhouse, but a very special part of their lives as well.

I pondered over the 4,000 children who have graduated from Danahy and the many happy memories which still linger within its walls. Soon, I realized, the building would take on a new function, and these special school memories will be difficult to rekindle. Suddenly, I walked past a door still wearing a "Be A Safety Bug" sticker, and I paused to stare at it and reflect on the years gone by.

As I continued through the halls, I found myself remembering my daughter's caring teachers, class trips, special class visitors and programs, field day activities, and their many performances on the Danahy stage where they learned to entertain others and to cope with the spotlight.

DANAHY SAYS GOODBYE

Over the years, I realized these performances have pleased a great many parents and teachers and have made them quite proud. I took a moment to recall the most recent school performance, given just two weeks ago when Danahy was bursting with excited and nervous children.

"The Final Danahy School Program," as it was called, was one to be remembered. It featured musical selections performed by thirteen of the school's alumni band members led by Darcy Davis, a nine-act play created by the fifth grade class, and a graduation complete with pomp and circumstance and diplomas.

Mrs. Barbara Kimball, principal of Danahy for the past three years, gave an opening address which indicated that she wanted this to be a "proud," rather than a sad occasion. "Times change, students grow up and move on, and it is no longer economically feasible to operate Danahy as a school," she noted. "I'm proud to have been one of its many principals. It has served us well, but it's time to say goodbye." The large crowd of parents, teachers, School Committee members, and previous Danahy students shifted in their chairs...

The emotions of the audience grew as the current fifth grade presented "So Many Roads To Choose," a group of scenes depicting what the future may hold for these "graduating" youngsters. Led by teachers Charlene Soverow and Sandi Santinello, it was an excellent showcase for the talents and abilities of the students.

A LITTLE HISTORY

Following a farewell speech given by Class President Kristina Candido, Superintendent of Schools Louis Hebert gave a short address which highlighted some of the school's historical background. He noted, for example, that in 1871 the Old Maple Street School, Danahy's predecessor, was the first school in Agawam to offer separate grades for different age groups.

"Prior to this, all students aged 6-20 were taught in one primary unit. It was our first two-room schoolhouse," he chuckled. To the amusement of the audience, he also explained that, at that time, a new state law made it unlawful for anyone to teach a class of 50 or more without the help of an assistant!

The present structure, he continued, was built in 1904 and consisted of only six classrooms. Principals have included Katherine G. Danahy, Mae Lynch, Thelma Meadon, Connie LaBonte, William Miller, Thomas O'Keefe, and Barbara Kimball.

In closing, Mr. Hebert said he was "delighted to be able to place the entire Danahy staff within the system. They've done a marvelous job and the performance of the students reflects the job they've done." Following these comments, diplomas were awarded and the graduates marched from the cafeteria to the music of *We've Only Just Begun*. Despite Mrs. Kimball's opening words, there were many misty eyes and melancholy faces in the crowd that evening.

MEMORIES STILL LINGER

Mrs. Venetta Snyder, a present School Committee member, shared some of her fond memories of Danahy with me.

"I went to school here years ago; my children have all gone to school here; even my dad went to school here," she said. "Yes, it's sad to see it close. When I watched these youngsters disco dancing on this stage tonight, it reminded me of when we used to do minuet dancing in the auditorium upstairs, which is now condemned. I have an awful lot of memories of this building."

Grateful to have captured the closing program in photographs, I carried my Kodak protectively to the car that night.

In the end, Mrs. Kimball is right, though. We have to go on - to look ahead. We certainly can't live in the past. But, let's not forget the past either!

Farewell, Danahy; "You served us well."



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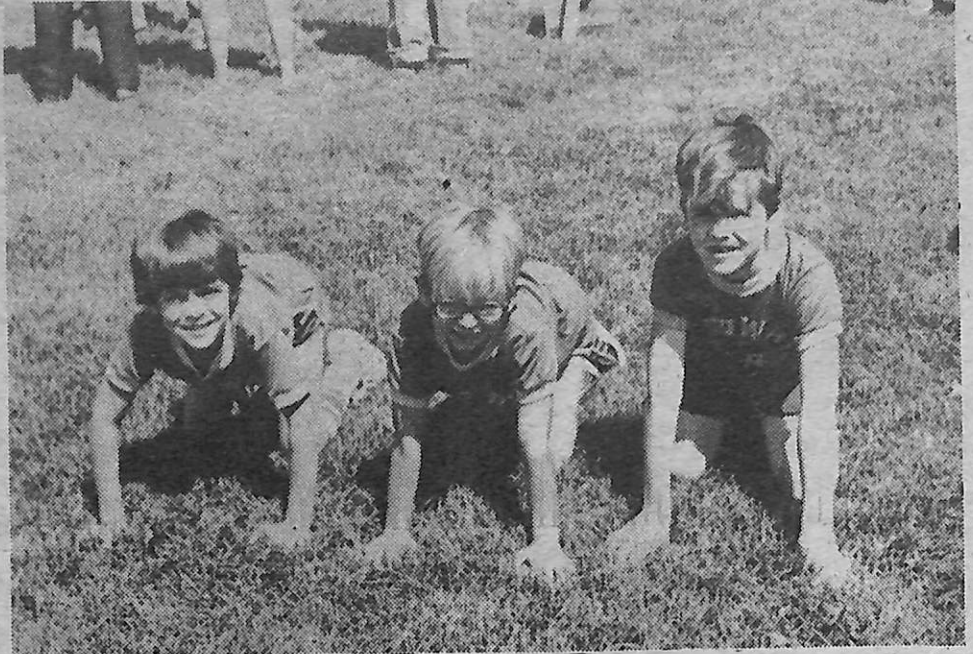
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What The AAA Mean To Local Youth: Here's One Comment High School Student Thanks AAA

Dear Mr. Mason and AAA:

I would like to acknowledge my appreciation as being a recipient of the award that was presented to me at the AAA banquet. This scholarship is well appreciated.

It is also my pleasure to commend you all on the hard work you have put into the AAA and the love and care you have for the kids of Agawam.

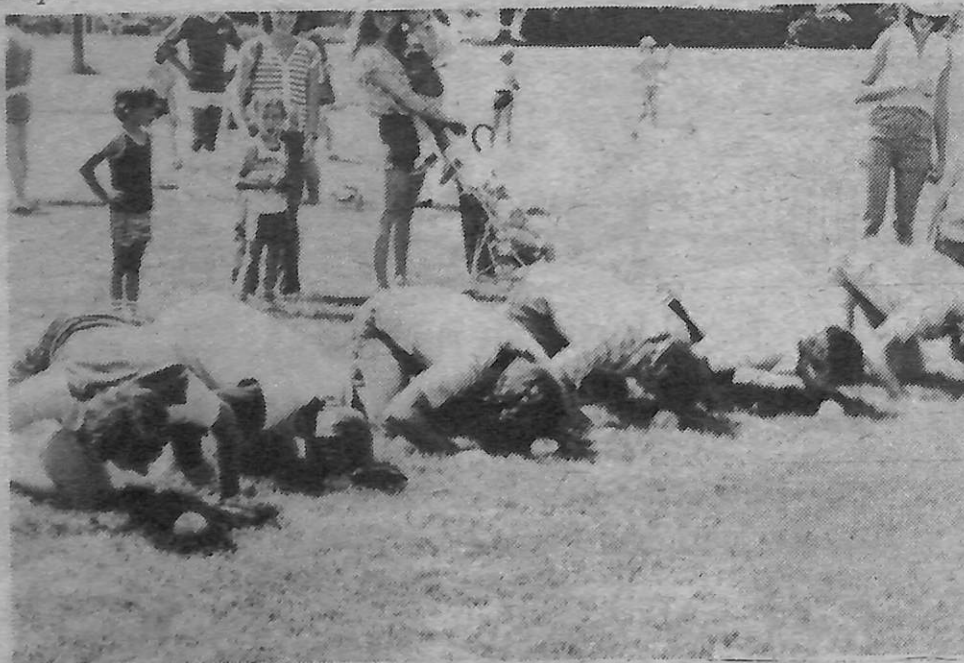
Without the Association, I would not have made all the friends I have or experienced and appreciated my youth to the fullest as I have through this program.

Again, I thank and commend you all.

Marjorie Dickmann
1981 Graduate of Agawam High



COACH HARVEY KENDALL won't be smiling for long as youngsters of the AAA Scott Litz (left) and Harvey's son Brian (right).



DADS IN THE PUSH-THE-POTATO race during the AAA's picnic for 6-7 year old AAA youngsters on Sunday. Over 350 people attended the annual function, which was chaired by Daniel Lacienski, the AAA's executive vice-president.



DURING THE FATHER'S POTATO RACE at the AAA's annual 6-7 picnic, chaired by Daniel Lacienski, Paul Radtke appears to be heading for trouble as his nose doesn't seem to be pushing the potato very far at this point.

Advertiser/News Photos By Jack Devine

SCHOOL NEWS

Miss Steele Receives UMASS Essay Prize



MISS MARY STEELE (center) is all smiles as she receives an essay prize of \$50.00 from the University of Massachusetts for excellence in Expository writing. Looking on are English Department Chairman Rosemary Stratton and Acting High School Principal John A. Morrissey. Mary is the daughter of Robert & Dorothy Steele of 123 Anthony Street, Agawam and is planning to attend Boston State College, majoring in English Literature and Journalism in September. Mary was one of 11 local finalists. Photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Y Begins New Programs

The Agawam YMCA Family Center, located at 108 Perry Lane, has begun its new programs this week. A variety of programs will be offered to members and non-members throughout the summer, according to Kathryn Zingg, center director.

Swim lessons are available for pre-schoolers through advanced swimmers. Children ages 3-15 are eligible for instruction between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Special Aquatic Programs will include a Dad/Mom-Tot Swim program, a water games program, a stunts-oriented program, diving and synchronized swimming, and adult water fitness. All will be free to Y members and charge a \$15 per session fee for non-members.

The tennis program will begin with youth lessons running for two week intervals on Monday, Wednesday, Friday for beginners and Tuesday, Thursday for advanced beginners.

Adult tennis lessons will be on Tuesday or Thursday nights from 6 to 7:30. Members fee for lessons is \$3.50 per session, and for non-members, \$15 per session for youth. Adult lessons are \$5 per session for members, and \$20 per session for non-members. Registrations are limited.

Laughing Brook Activities

Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden will hold a special family Day of Reptiles workshop on Saturday, July 11, from 1 - 3 p.m. This will be an opportunity for children and adults to learn about snakes and turtles. Live examples from Laughing Brook's rehabilitation program will be on hand. Staff Naturalist Tom Tynning will lead the workshop, and a registration fee and reservations are required.

On Thursday, July 16, from 9 p.m. to midnight, Laughing Brook will sponsor a Lunar Eclipse Viewing on the grounds of the Arcadia Sanctuary in Easthampton. This evening will produce the only partial lunar eclipse this year visible in this part of North America. Astronomer Ron Woodland will be on hand to interpret changes in the moon's appearance.

The viewing is open to the public. A small registration fee will be charged, and reservations are required in advance.

For more information on either program, call Laughing Brook at 566-8034.

Retirement Party Honors Director

A surprise retirement party in honor of Dorothy Coon, director of Special Services for the Agawam School Department since 1974, was held recently at the Colosseum Banquet House in West Springfield with about 175 people in attendance.

The afternoon reception drew people from the state Department of Education regional office, the Lower Pioneer Valley Collaborative staff, local mental health agencies, and SPED directors from several area school systems. Several out-of-town relatives and friends also attended.

Larry Harbeson served as master of ceremonies with guest speakers including Assistant Superintendent of Schools James Bruno, Barbara Kimball, principal of Danahy School; Peter Lowrey, president of the Agawam Education Association; Kelly Ryer, a teacher at Agawam Junior High; and Mrs. Coon's son Paul.

Chairperson Marge Campanella and members of the Special Services staff comprised the party committee.

Mrs. Coon received a bachelor's degree from Westfield State College and a master's and C.A.G.S. in Special Education from Westfield and American International Colleges.

She began her career in education 35 years ago in the Southwick and Blandford School Systems, joining the Agawam system in 1952 as an elementary teacher and master resource teacher for those with learning disabilities.

A native of Southwick, she is married to James Coon, director of Business Services in Agawam, and resides in town. She has three sons, Paul, David, and Bill, and six grandchildren.

Summer Events At Agawam Library

Beginning this week, the Agawam Public Library will go on summer hours and will be closed Saturdays in July and August. The library will be open from 9 to 9 Monday through Friday for the summer, with the exception of Friday, July 3rd. Regular hours will resume in September.

The Summer Reading Club will meet Wednesday mornings at 10:30 from July 8 through August 19. Readers aged 5 and up are invited to star in the "Hall of Fame" by bringing in a spare photograph of themselves and reading books throughout the sessions. Entertainment is scheduled periodically. Call or visit the library to sign up.

Beginning Thursday, July 2, and continuing every Thursday evening during July and August, the library will offer a free Family Film Night series. Cartoons, Disney movies, classic film features, and book adaptations will be shown each week at 7 p.m. in the air-conditioned Community Room.

July 2nd will feature an edited version of the Shirley Temple classic "Heidi" and "Rodeo Red and the Runaway, a story of the friendship between a young girl and a former rodeo horse. The show will last approximately 90 minutes.

On July 9th, the offering will be "Brightly of Grand Canyon," the adventures and misadventures of a shaggy little burro, a mountain lion hunter, and a little boy, all of whom lived in the Grand Canyon area during the early 1900's. This movie lasts approximately 90 minutes.

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Also, Kimberly Ferris, Danielle Fisher, Tina Forgues, Frances Frigo, Jill Gagne, Jacqueline Gilson, Suzanne Girard, Jennifer Glover, Amy Golemo, Dawn Goss, Jill Goss, Anna Grassetti, David Hallock, James Hanson, Jennifer Herd, Evan Humphries

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Miss Nicora Given Realtor Award

The Greater Springfield Board of Realtors honored twelve local high school seniors with scholarship awards at a dinner meeting at Twin Hills Country Club on June 8th.

Among the recipients was Kathleen A. Nicora, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Nicora, Jr., of 36 Old Mill Road, Agawam. A recent graduate of Agawam High School, she will be attending the College of Our Lady of the Elms.

teo, Robert Matthews, Nancy Merchant, Laurie Mickna, Cassie Miller, Lori Moss, Antoni Muskus

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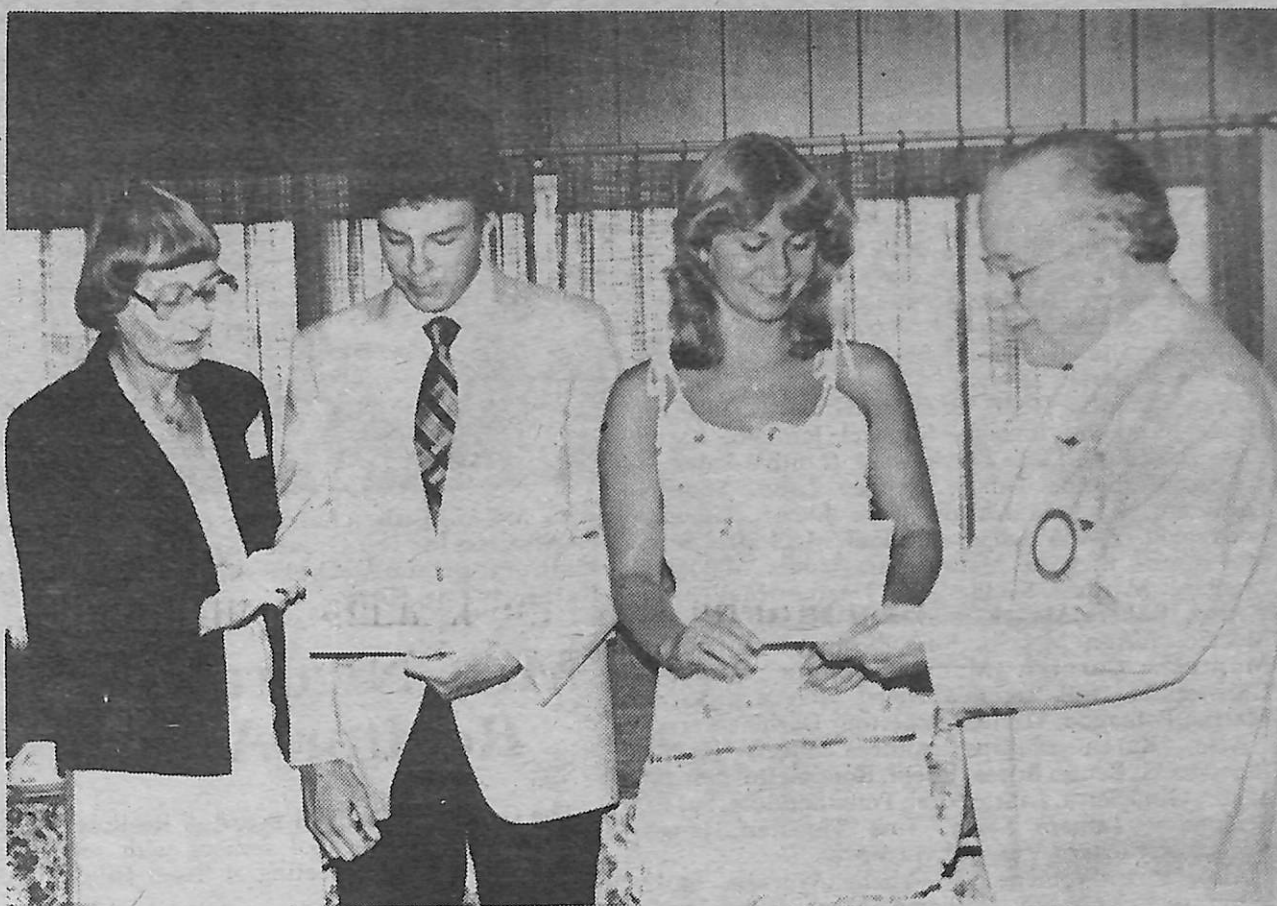
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MRS. RITA MCCARROLL, wife of the late Agawam Food Mart Manager for 26 years Ray McCarroll, presents the Ray McCarroll Memorial Scholarship from the Agawam and West Springfield Rotary Clubs to Agawam winner Paul Balboni, and West Springfield winner Betsy Crawford. Looking on is Reverend Paul Woodbury, president of the Agawam Rotary Club. The presentation was made at the Rotary's recent meeting at the Squires Restaurant and is now an annual scholarship. Photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Students Graduate HCC

A number of students from Agawam were among the 792 members of Holyoke Community College's Class of 1981 to receive associate degrees in recent commencement ceremonies.

Cindy L. Berger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Berger of 119 Shoemaker Lane, graduated with high honors in business administration. She was a member of Sigma Rho Honor Society.

Cynthia A. Cartello, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cartello of 16 Simpson Circle, graduated with honors in business administration and will continue at Western New England College. She also was a member of Sigma Rho Honor Society.

Jerome M. Czuprynski, son of Harry Czuprynski of New York and Mrs. Ruth Czuprynski of 251 Gold Street, Agawam, graduated with high honors in business studies and will continue at Western New England College. He and his wife Virginia live at 283 Leonard Street, and he was a member of Who's Who in American Junior Colleges, on the National Dean's List, in Sigma Rho Honor Society, and a volunteer with the income tax assistance program.

Michelle Fieldstad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fieldstad of 7 Oxford Street, graduated with high honors in arts and sciences and will continue her studies in microbiology.

Daniel Germano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Germano of 807 Main Street, graduated with high honors in accounting and will continue at Western New England College. He was a member of Sigma Rho Honor Society and the HCC Bowling Club.

Paul A. Graziano, son of Mrs. Arthur Graziano of 46 Pineview Circle, graduated in business administration and will continue at American International College. He was a student senator.

Sheila M. Grenier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emile Grenier of 1083 River Road, graduated in dietetic technology.

Dean C. Johnson, son of Mrs. Joe Ann O'Leary of 300 Cooper Street, graduated in business administration and will be employed at K Mart in West Springfield.

Robert W. Johnson Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson of 25 Valentine Terrace, graduated with high honors in business administration and will continue at Western New England College. He was a member of Sigma Rho Honor Society.

Martin J. Manning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Manning of 41 Harvey Johnson Drive, graduated in business administration. He was on the soccer team.

Anna M. Mercadante, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolfo Mercadante of 134 Country Road, graduated in executive secretarial studies and will be employed at Agway, Inc. in West Springfield.

Kathleen A. Moriarty, daughter of Mrs. Teresa Moriarty of 1215 Suffield street, graduated in arts and sciences. She did art research while at the college.

Timothy D. Oxx of 178 Beekman Drive graduated in business administration.

Thomas L. Pemberton Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pemberton of 216 Pineview Circle, graduated with honors in business administration and will continue studies in accounting. He was a four-year member of the student senate, in Sigma Rho Honor Society, and a recipient of the HCC College Service Award.

Cynthia M. Safford, daughter of Stewart Safford of 40 Mill Street and Mrs. Jean Safford of 321 Suffield Street, graduated in retail management and will be assistant manager at Chess King at the Holyoke Mall. She was a dean's list student and participated in the cooperative work-study program at HCC.

Emilia Santaniello, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martino Santaniello of 31 Barn Road, graduated with high honors in executive secretarial studies. She was a member of the HCC Business Club, Sigma Rho Honor Society, and was nominated to the National Dean's List.

Joyce Whelan Stoll of 70 Stewart Lane graduated with honors in accounting. She was a member of Sigma Rho Honor Society and of Women in Business.

Lori A. Vogel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald T. Vogel of 119 North Street graduated in early childhood education.

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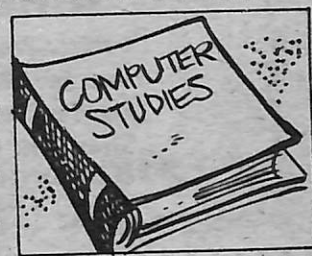


Friends Plan Roast Of "Butch" Saracino

Friends of Tony "Butch" Saracino are planning a dinner/roast for the well-known Agawam resident on July 11th at the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills.

Tickets for the affair are \$10. Dinner will be a smorgasbord and there will be dancing to the fine tunes of the Jay Contrino Band.

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Mother-Daughter Graduate Westfield State

Teresa Vazquez and her mother, Mary (Raimondi) Vazquez of 21 Western Drive both recently graduated from Westfield State College.

Teresa, a 1977 graduate of Agawam High School, earned a B.S. in biology with a minor concentration in Spanish. She is presently employed as a park ranger for the Cape Cod National Seashore agency in Eastham.

Mrs. Vazquez, a 1952 graduate of Agawam High, earned a B.S. in criminal justice and is employed by the Division of Employment Security, Springfield.

Karen Mallette Attains UMass Dean's List

Karen Mallette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andre Mallette of 67 North Street, Agawam, has attained Dean's List standing at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, for the past spring term. Miss Mallette earned a 3.9 average out of a possible 4.0.

Having just finished her junior year as an environmental science major, she plans to complete her studies next year at California State University, Chico.

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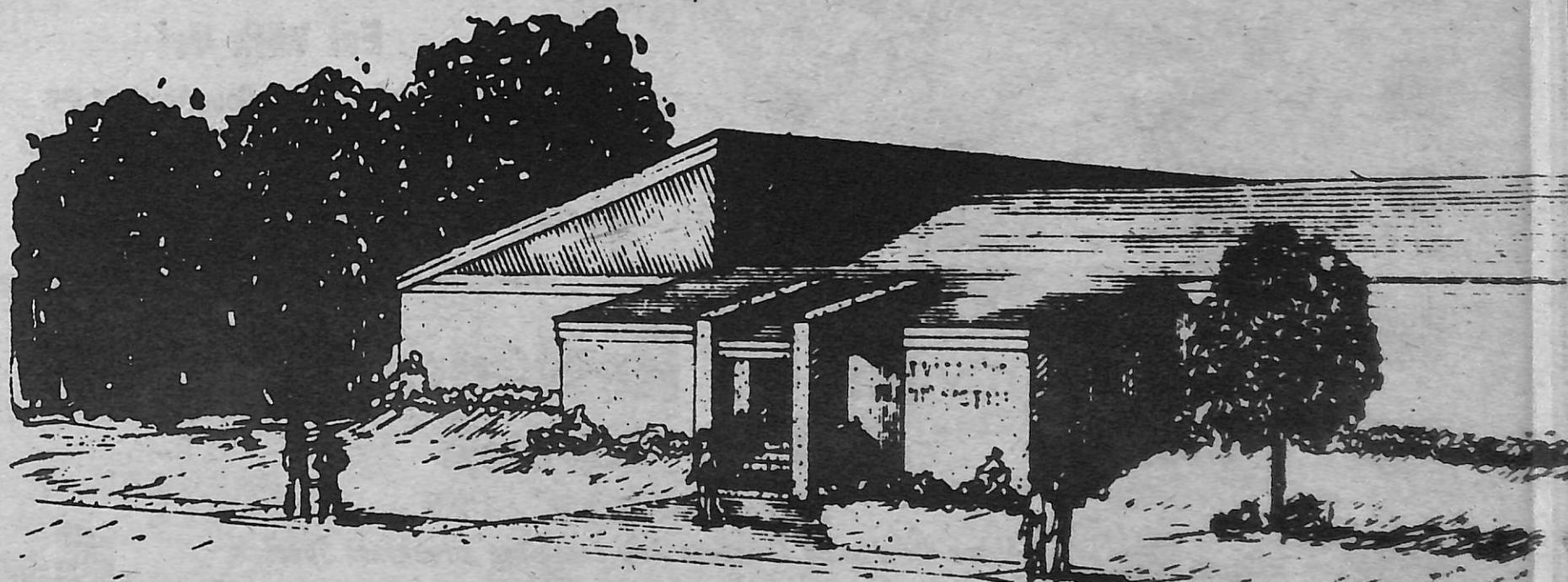
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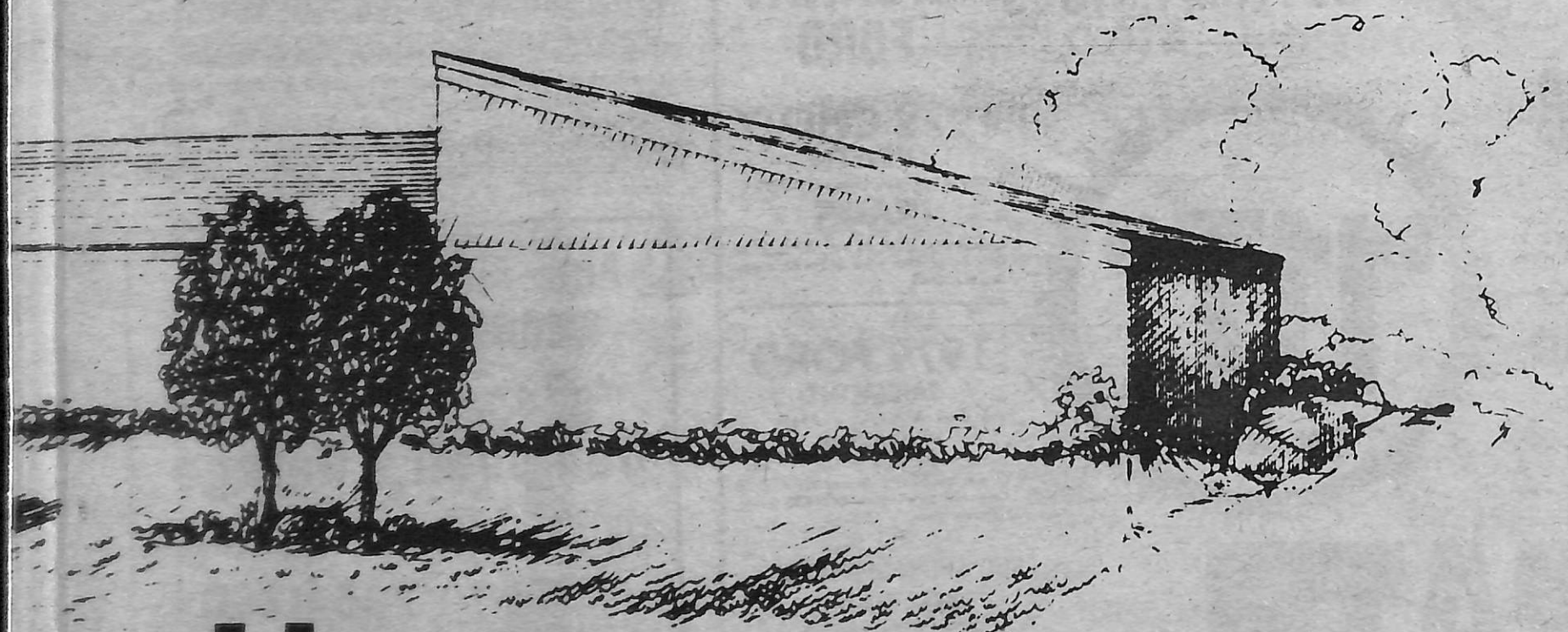
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THIS SPRING THE AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION revived their track program to the delight of the many youngsters who wholeheartedly participated. Five different events were staged, one per week, with the three highest point-getters in each age division performing all five over again last Saturday in the traditional Pentathlon. Pictured here with track officials are the winners of the Pentathlon in each age grouping.

Back row, left to right, Phil Losito, track official; John Losito, Dan Meunier, and Dan Lacienski, AAA track commissioner; Middle row, Susan Harpin, Lori Harpin, Sophie Osentoski, Cathy Scaggs, Cheryl Kozel, and Kim Bennett; Front row, David Kozel, Aaron Vanderhoof, Tom Padden, Bryan Cort, and Peter Schindler. Photo by Jack Devine.

Men's Softball League Standings

A DIVISION

Bay State Oilers	11-1
Tri-County Sales	9-2
Showcase Inter.	6-5
Diplomat Lounge	6-5
Village Lounge	6-6
Dante Club	6-
Buccaneer Lounge	4-6
Marie Kane Realty	4-7
F.H. Public Mkt.	3-9
Agawam A's	2-9

B AMERICAN

Agawam Moose Club	10-1
Silver Carriage	10-1
Agawam Turners	8-2
Buccaneer Lounge	8-3
Jessica's Lounge	8-4
Elbow Lounge	7-3
Clean Machine	6-4
Willard Realty	5-4
American Legion 185	6-6
Southgate Lounge	5-7
Italian Sporting Club	4-5
Spartan Saw	3-8

B NATIONAL

Pond/Ekberg	8-2
Grimaldi Oilers	6-5
Agawam Jaycees	6-6
Insurance Center	6-7
Agawam Sportsman	6-7
R.A.B. Customs	5-8
Baystate Woodworking	3-7
Standard Uniform	2-10
Springfield Newspaper	1-10
Turcotte Mfg.	0-13

Congratulations AAA Track Finalists And Commissioners Dan Lacienski and Phil Losito

O'Malley's Outduel Central C., 7-6

By Charles J. Duclos

Paul Gramarossa and Mark Beglane teamed up with their O'Malley Printers' associates and drove Central Chevrolet to a 7-6 in Tri-County action. O'Malley registered their third straight victory over troubled Central in as many tries.

After Central rocketed off to a 6-0 lead after three frames, O'Malley fired their own rockets over the next three innings.

In the fifth, Steve Moged singled, Joe Miller and Tom Nodell walked to load the bases. Dave Stefano sacrificed home Moge.

Another walk to Mark Guindon filed the bases again with one out. Andy Paine quickly rifled a shot to center to drive home Miller. With a new hurler now at the wheel for Central, Craig Plante wheeled Tom Nodell across the plate to cut the deficit to 6-3.

O'Mally did a command performance in the bottom of the sixth. John Plante delivered an infield hit and Moge walked. Nordell bleed another infield safety to load the bases. A sharp double by Stefano rapped home two more runs. Central made another pitching change, but Mark Guindon shifted into high gear to sacrifice a fly to advance Scott Herd, running for Tom Nodell, to the plate and a tie game.

The go-ahead and winning run came in the 7th on a single by Jack Dougherty. The hulking "Duffer" was replaced on the basepaths by Brian Sweeney. John Plante singled up the middle and Sweeney advanced to second. Steve Moge peppered a one baggar but it was enough to score Sweeney for the dramatic win.

On Saturday past, the Printers travelled to Hadley and gobbled up the Burger King sponsored team, 13-2. O'Malley coach/pitcher Don Irzyk made short work of his seven inning stint, as he picked up his fourth win of the season against one loss.

SPLINTERS: O'Malley games: July 2 Hadley, at Westfield Vocational; July 6 Union at Westfield Voke; July 8 Oliver at Shea's Field. All games begin at 6:00 p.m.

LATE PLATE PLAY: The first and third place teams in the circuit met Tuesday evening under the lights at Sot Park. The Chicopee Falls Tigers retained first place honors by downing the Printers, 9-4.

The Tigers jumped off to an early lead in the first inning with three runs and picked up two each in the second, third, and fourth frames.

O'Malley's hottest frame came in the fourth when leadoff batter Jeff LaBranche singled and shortstop Lou Conte followed with a single. Dave Stefano blasted a triple to deep centerfield and cleared the two baserunners. Rick Mastroianni, back in the lineup at the number three defensive spot because of a knee injury, walked. The next two batters breezed out but Andy Paine singled to right to bring Stefano across before the inning ended.

O'Malley's final tally came in the 7th as Jeff LaBranche brought John Plante home.

Mike "Snake" Riley, pitching for the first time in 12 days as a result of a bad ankle, took the loss.

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AAA Team Standings

8-10 BOYS DIVISION AMERICAN DIVISION	
Agawam Advertiser/News	13-2
Agawam Lions Club	9-6
Hampden Fence	9-6
Pelley Construction	6-9
Stan's Soft Serv	5-9
Agawam Jaycees	2-12
NATIONAL DIVISION	
Agawam TV Service	15-0
Colonial Funeral Chapel	11-4
Provin Mt. Farm	9-6
Rocky's Acoustics	5-10
Abbott Tax	3-12
Mushy's	2-13
10-12 BOYS DIVISION	
Century 21	14-4
Chriscola Farms	13-5
Food Mart	10-7
Westfield Savings	10-7
Agawam Police	7-11
Polish Club	5-13
Elks 2174	3-15
13-15 BOYS DIVISION	
Medical Personnel Pool	12-0
Agawam Police	8-4
Park Auto	8-7
Gove Realty	7-7
Solitario	4-11
Jeff Allen	2-13

AAA Suburban Team Ties For 1st

The Agawam Athletic Association's girls suburban softball team increased their league record to 5-1 with wins over the Ludlow Girls Club and Hampden and now shares first place.

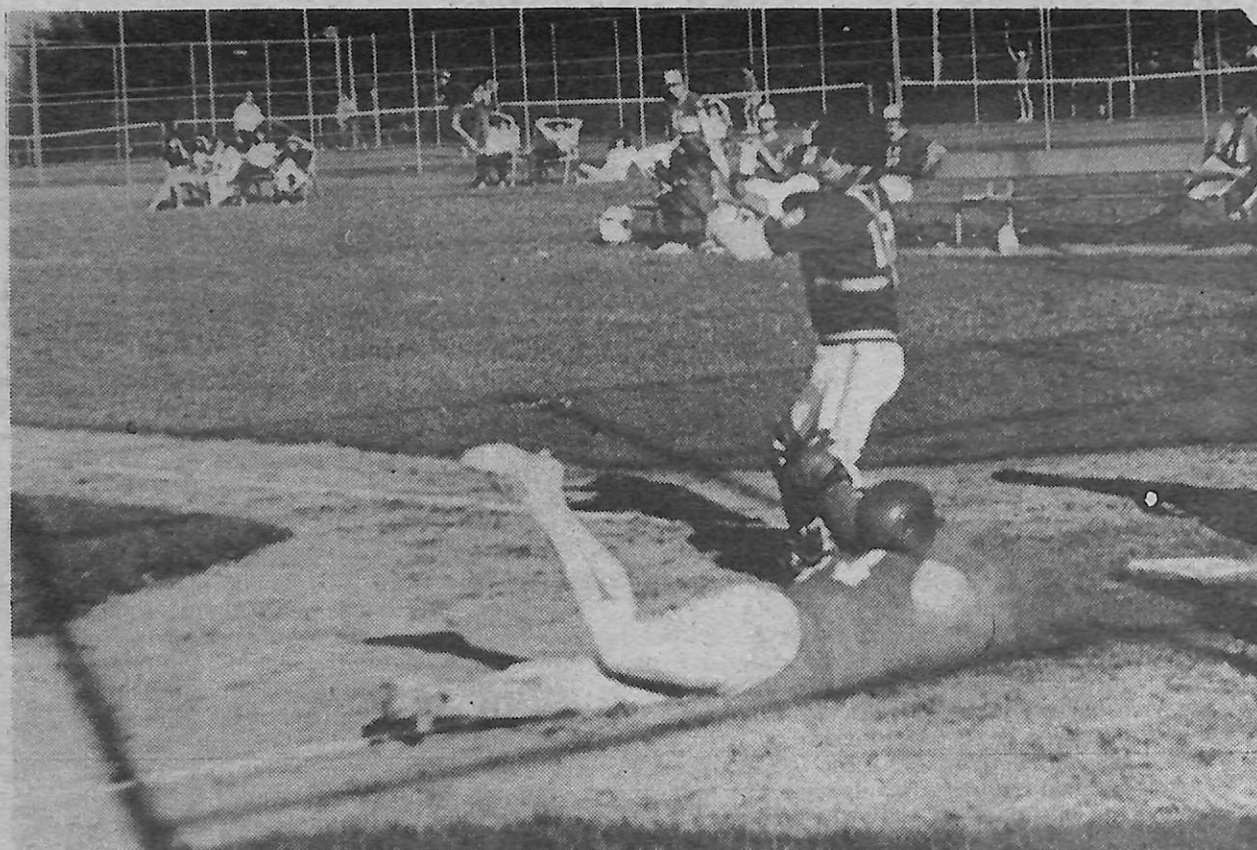
Last Saturday, the girls took on an independent game with a team from North Adams which tested the home team's defense. Our girls proved up to the task and racked up a 19-11 win.

Ellen Calkins banged two home runs and two singles. Sue Goehlert had a single and a double, and newcomer Pam Avery got her first hit. Shawn Lapee went four innings giving up only three runs.

League action resumed at Borgatti Field against a young Ludlow team. Barbara Walsh upped her average going 3 for 4. Good defensive play by the entire team allowed only four opposition runs while the Orange and Brown crossed the plate 28 times.

Thursday's trip to Hampden earned the girls a share of the league's first place with Shawn Lapee throwing a three-hitter and teammates providing more than enough offense.

Next week's games are at Borgatti Field on July 7th against Wilbraham, and at St. John's Field on July 9th against St. Mary's of Ludlow. Game time is 6 p.m.



AGAWAM'S KEVIN BARNES slides in safe at home during Legion action Tuesday night. The locals were blasted 13-2 in this contest but the previous evening Gerry Smith's boys staged a come-from-behind 8-5 victory over Blandford. Photo by Jack Devine.

The BENCH WARMER

Legion Tops Blandford, 8-5

By Charles J. Duclos

Having dropped their previous few games and still mired in a slump, the Wilson-Thompson corps of baseball legionnaires came from a 5-0 deficit in the first inning to storm past Blandford, 8-5 Monday night.

Agawam allowed Blandford an early bulge by allowing five first inning runs, the only tallies the out-of-towners would muster for the next eight frames. John Calabrese came from the bullpen and his powerful arm behind good Agawam hitting delivered the locals from the clutches of defeat.

By the bottom of the second, Agawam had tied the score. Coming across for important runs were Dave Lyne, who scored twice, Scott Negrucci, Keith Mercadante, and Joe Calabrese, each of whom scored singletons. Driving in these catch-up and tie runs were Timmy Ayre and Calabrese, with two RBI's credited to Kevin Barnes.

In the their half of the fourth, hot hitting Dave Lyne singled and stole second. He managed to come home on Scott Negrucci's handy single for a 6-5 lead.

Negrucci stole second and continued his way to the plate when the throw to nail him sailed into the outfield allowing the local to continue around the bases.

Nestled behind good control by John Calabrese who had little difficulty in putting down Blandford, Agawam again struck paydirt in the eighth when George Groom walked and stole second.

Again, on a wild throw by the catcher which found the all in centerfield, Groom, well-groomed in the art of running, scurried to third. Paul Dezeille sacrificed and Groom scored.

AMERICAN LEGION ACTION: Home games at Agawam High: July 6 East Side, July 7 West Side, July 9 Northampton. Agawam travels to East Longmeadow on July 8. All games start at 5:30 p.m.

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Chicopee Elks Astros

11-12 Boys Standings

White Sox
A's
Yankees
Reds
Phillies
Royals
Red Sox

9-3
5-5
4-9
10-2
3-7
3-8

9-4
7-4
7-4
6-4
6-6
3-6
2-8

On June 22, the White Sox edged the A's 3-1 behind the pitching of Bob Coelln. Good defensive plays came from Jason Osborne and Eric Early to keep the score close. Todd Brown hit a two-run homer and played a flawless game as catcher.

On June 23, the Yankees beat the Red Sox 7-5. Mickey Lunden pitched a strong game for the Yanks and led the hitting along with Dwayne Clark, Peter Vecchiarelli, Tim Tlusty and Al Schaffer.

Seniors

On June 24th, the Soda City Dodgers had a lopsided victory over the Sarat Ford Orioles 12-0. John Alves pitched a two-hitter for four innings and was relieved by Joe Warren, who pitched a no-hitter for 3 innings. Bill Malachowski and John Alves made a double play. Eugene McLean, Bob Berthiaume, and Dave Champagne each had two singles.

On June 26th, the Dodgers had to work to get their win against the Orioles, 5-4. Catcher Eugene McLean had a single and a triple at the plate, and pitcher Joe Warren smashed his second homer of the season. Billy Champagne banged a single. Tony Trolie did well filling in for the entire game in right field.

Majors

June 23rd brought an important win for the Polish Club Indians over the Lions' Dodgers, 5-3. A tied game at the end of regulation play brought a seventh inning and nifty base-running from Tom Cascio and Jon Daniels to put the Indians ahead. Phil Borello then came in for the last of the 7th and retired the

On June 26, the White Sox just barely got by the Red Sox 12-11 in a real slugfest. Defensively, Dan Champigney stood out with some terrific catches in the outfield. Bob Altobelli hit two homers and Todd Brown hit one to lead on offense. Bob Coelln, Jason Osborne, Bob Mesick, and Eric Early each contributed two hits.

Tim Hebert, pitcher for the Red Sox, took a tough loss, but showed well at the plate. Jackie Patterson hit his first home run of the season to lead his team on offense along with Dominick DiLizia, Jim Hanson, Jeff Peterson, and Ricky Brown, just up from the 9-10 boys division who also turned in an excellent game at second base.

On June 27, the Yankees won a thriller over the White Sox 4-2 in extra innings. Dwayne Clark blasted a home run with a man on to lead the Yankees to victory. Mickey Lunden was the winning pitcher.

The Phillies continue their winning ways, this time with help from 9-10 league player Kevin Cryomer, playing his first game in the 11-12 division. Kevin came through with a homer over the left field fence his first time at bat to lead the Phillies to victory over the Yankees on June 25. Super pitching by Bob Barbarini kept the big bats of the Yanks in check.

Along with Kevin's big hit, strong bats on the Phillies were swung by Rick Gordon, Vin Cardaropoli, and Brian O'Malley. Also up from the 9-10 division for the Phillies was Tim Burns, who hit the ball hard twice and got one single.

Little League Action

side. The Indians were then in a tie for second half round with the Dodgers, each with 6-1 records and playoffs ahead.

June 24th was a squeaker win for the Rollaway Red Sox over Mushy's Yankees 5-4. Evan Humphries did a good job pitching in a game in which the Yanks threatened till the last inning. Hits came from Evan Humphries, Paul Scibelli, and Mike Eagan helped the Red Sox score. Tim Coffey made a great saving catch in right field to help the Sox stay ahead.

June 26th was an extra inning game that saw the Indians pull ahead of the Red Sox 2-1 after eight. Phil Borello's pitching and heads-up infield play aided in the win.

The Red Sox loss came despite Mike Eagan's fine pitching for 6 innings. In one of the Red Sox' finest performances, Tim Coffey made a great effort to break the tie, and while sliding home, broke his leg. All wish him a speedy recovery.

MAJOR STANDINGS:

Indians, 7-1
Dodgers, 7-1
Red Sox
Orioles
Yankees.



Sportsmen's Corner

By Bill Chiba

The hearing held at Amherst, Thursday, June 25, was well attended by a cross section of hunters. Bowmen, gun hunters, and musket men were clued in on the proposals presented by the biologists of the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife concerning the gunning seasons and the archery season this fall.

The proposals will go before the board July 16th at Westboro. A public hearing will be heard at that time.

The fisheries people did propose to leave the salmon fishing open on the Connecticut River after the temporary band is lifted in July. The only difference will be that a one-fish limit will be instituted.

The salmon count has risen to the lofty number of 500 this season. The gender ratio is about 50/50. Twenty-seven salmon have been passed upstream and five have made it to Bellows Falls. They will be transferred to the White River in Vermont and left to spawn naturally in the river.

Chet McCord, deer project manager, proposed that a successful archer be allowed a second deer during the gun seasons. The archer will register his deer at a weighing station and then purchase a second tag for the second deer. The price of the second tag has not been decided upon yet.

Chet's department also proposed a three-day addition to the gun season in December. He provided some very sound reasons for the additional days and facts showing that the deer herd could stand the pressure of harvest.

A surprise to me was the feeling of the primitive gun men. They stated that if they could not have additional days for hunting, then they wanted the season left the way it is. The musket season starts on a Monday and runs through Wednesday. I know some of the black powder men I talk to here in town expressed the desire to have the season start on a Thursday and end up on Saturday. These people did not bother to make the hearing and express their views to the Fish and Wildlife Board that was in attendance. The board will make the final decision. July 14th brings a very important hearing.

In presenting his facts that additional lands would not be posted if the gun season was extended, Chet quoted the responses from Farm Bureau members whom he questioned. I was amazed to hear that 62% of the Farm Bureau's members' land was posted to hunting and fishing. The members certainly went back on their word to the sportsmen in Mass.

At the 1971 banquet of the Sandisfield Rod and Gun Club held at the West Springfield Fish and Game Club, a member of the Farm Bureau from Granville asked if he could address the gathering at the banquet. I was co-chairman of the banquet, and we gave the gentleman permission.

He asked for the support of the organized sportsmen to support a bill in the Legislature giving the farmer, tree and vegetable and fruit grower tax relief. The amount of the lower tax bracket was and is quite substantial. In return for the support from the sportsmen, he promised that more land would be available to the gun hunters and fishermen to pursue their sports. The sportsmen across the state supported the bill, and it passed into law. The gratitude shown by the Farm Bureau members is the posting of 62% of their land. Whom do you trust today?

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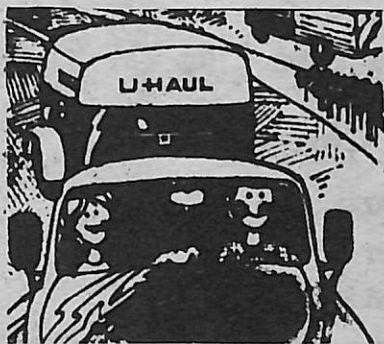
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